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1. FINNISH PRESS TODAY FOCUSED ON THE COMPOSITION OF THE FINNISH DELEGATION, PRESIDENT KEKKONEN'S MEETINGS WITH FOREIGN HEADS OF DELEGATIONS, FINAL ARRANGEMENTS AND SECURITY MEASURES. EDITORIALS DISCUSSED THE MEANING OF THE CSCE AND THE FINNISH DELEGATION.

2. FINNISH DELEGATION. THE TWELVE PRINCIPAL MEMBERS OF THE FINNISH CSCE DELEGATION WERE APPOINTED YESTERDAY. THE DELEGATION WILL BE HEADED BY PRESIDENT URHO KEKKONEN AND THE CABINET WILL BE REPRESENTED BY PRIME MINISTER KEIJO LIINAMAA AND FOREIGN MINISTER OLAVI J. MATTILA. IN ADDITION TO THEM, THE DELEGATION WILL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING PARTY POLITICIANS: KALEVI SORSA (SOC. DEM.), AHTI KARJALAINEN (CENTER PARTY), AARNE SAARINEN (COMMUNIST), HARRI HOLKERI (CONSERVATIVE), C.O. TALLGREN (SWEDISH PEOPLE'S PARTY), PEKKA TARJANNE (LIBERAL PEOPLE'S PARTY). THE MINISTRY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS WILL BE REPRESENTED BY

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SECRETARY OF STATE MATTI TUOVINEN AND AMBASSADOR JAAKKO ILONIEMI.

MIRJAM VIRE-TUOMINEN REPRESENTS THE WORLD PEACE COUNCIL.

3. PRESIDENT KEKKONEN TO MEET BREZHNEV, FORD. INDEPENDENT HELSINGIN SANOMAT WRITES THAT PRESIDENT KEKKONEN WILL MEET UNOFFICIALY BOTH WITH SOVIET PARTY LEADER LEONID BREZHNEV AND U.S. PRESIDENT GERALD FORD ON TUESDAY, THE EVE OF THE CONFERENCE. KEKKONEN WILL MEET MR. FORD NOW FOR THE FIRST TIME. THIS IS PRESIDENT FORD'S FIRST TRIP TO FINLAND. DURING THE THREE-DAY SUMMIT PRESIDENT KEKKONEN WILL TRY TO MEET UNOFFICIALLY THE LEADERS OF ALL MAJOR WESTERN AND SOCIALIST DELEGATIONS. BREZHNEV AND FORD WILL MEET TWICE DURING THE CONFERENCE, AND THE SUBJECT IS EXPECTED TO BE SALT.

4. FOUR WESTERN POWERS TO HOLD A SUMMIT IN HELSINKI. LEADERS OF THE FOUR WESTERN POWERS WILL HAVE A SUMMIT OF THEIR OWN IN HELSINKI NEXT THURSDAY IN CONNECTION WITH THE CSCE, HELSINGIN SANOMAT REPORTS. BRITISH PRIME MINISTER HAROLD WILSON WILL HOST A LUNCHEON WHICH WILL BE ATTENDED BY U.S. PRESIDENT GERALD FORD; FRENCH PRESIDENT GISCARD D'ESTAING AND WEST GERMAN CHANCELLOR HELMUT SCHMIDT. ACCORDING TO BRITISH SOURCES, THE LEADERS WILL DISCUSS MATTERS RELATED TO THE CSCE AS WELL AS THE TWO GERMANIES AND THE POSITION OF WEST BERLIN.

5. CSCE WILL NOT ENDORSE THE DIVISION OF GERMANY, THE RESULTS OF THE CSCE PRESERVE HOPES THAT THE TWO GERMANIES COULD BE UNIFIED IN THE FUTURE AND THAT ALL EUROPEAN NATIONS WOULD JOIN A COMMON UNION, WEST GERMAN FOREIGN MINISTER HANS-DIETRICH GENSCHER SAID ON FRIDAY ACCORDING TO NEWS AGENCY DPA AND HELSINGIN SANOMAT. GENSCHER SAID THAT CSCE IS NOT A FINAL SEAL ON THE PRESENT STATUS QUO IN EUROPE.

6. FORD RESPONDS TO CRITICISM AT HOME. AS DOMESTIC CRITICISM IS INCREASING, PRESIDENT FORD SAID ON FRIDAY THAT THE UNITED STATES WILL NOT MAKE "LEGAL OR MORAL" CONCESSIONS TO THE SOVIET UNION AT THE CSCE SUMMIT. FORMER CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR RONALD REAGAN, WHO REPRESENTS THE EXTREME RIGHT WING OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY, ANNOUNCED THAT HE OPPOSES THE SIGNING OF THE CSCE DOCUMENT.

7. SOVIET ARTIST APPEALS TO KEKKONEN. UPI REPORTS FROM MOSCOW THAT SOVIET SCULPTOR ERNST NEIZVESTNY APPEALED FRIDAY UNCLASSIFIED

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TO PRESIDENT KEKKONEN ASKING HIM TO HELP THE SCULPTOR IN OBTAINING AN EMIGRATION VISA.

8. KEKKONEN APPOINTED A STALINIST TO THE FINNISH DELEGATION. PRESIDENT KEKKONEN UNEXPECTEDLY APPOINTED TWO MEMBERS OF THE FINNISH COMMUNIST PARTY IN THE CSCE DELEGATION. MP MIRJAM VIRE-TUOMINEN WAS NAMED EVIDENTLY AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE STALINIST FACTION TO COUNTERBALANCE COMMUNIST PARTY

CHAIRMAN AARNE SAARINEN SO THE TWO COMMUNIST PARTY FACTIONS
COULD BE REPRESENTED, CONSERVATIVE UUSI SUOMI REPORTS.

9. CSCE MAY BRING NOBEL PRIZE TO KEKKONEN. PRESIDENT KEKKONEN
IS REPORTEDLY THE STRONGEST CANDIDATE FOR THIS YEAR'S NOBEL
PEACE PRIZE. ACCORDING TO SOME SOURCES, KEKKONEN WAS DISREGARDED
LAST YEAR IN ORDER TO "SAVE" THE PRIZE FOR THE CSCE SUMMIT,
UUSI SUOMI WRITES.

10. ARMORED TRANSPORTATION VEHICLES TO PROTECT CSCE. CENTER
PARTY ORGAN SUOMENMAA AND SEVERAL OTHER PAPERS REPORT THAT
ARMORED TRANSPORTATION VEHICLES WILL BE USED DURING THE CSCE
TO GUARANTEE SECURITY. POLICE INSPECTOR KYOSTI JOUSIMAA CONFIRMED
RUMORS. HE EMPHASIZED, HOWEVER, THAT THEY ARE NOT TANKS BUT
TRANSPORTATION BEHICLES. SEVERAL PAPERS ALSO REPORTED THAT A
TV CAMERA WAS INSTALLED OUTSIDE THE AMERICAN EMBASSY TO GUARD
ENTRANCE TO THE EMBASSY AND THE PARKING PLACE.

11. NANCY KISSINGER NOT COMING. MRS. NANCY KISSINGER WILL NOT
FOLLOW HER HUSBAND TO THE CSCE SUMMIT, AMERICAN SOURCES SAID
IN HELSINKI YESTERDAY, PRESIDENT FORD'S PARTY INCLUDES HIS 23-
YEAR OLD SON JACK.

12. EDITORIAL COMMENT ON CSCE. INDEPENDENT HELSINGIN SANOMAT
COMMENTS ON THE FINNISH DELEGATION AND SAYS THAT QUESTIONS ARISE
ON AT LEAST ONE MEMBER OF DELEGATION. "IT IS HARD TO UNDER-
STAND THE SELECTION OF MIRJAM VIRE-TUOMINEN WHO REPRESENTS THE
HARD-LINE FACTION OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY. AN ATTEMPT WAS MADE
TO JUSTIFY HER SELECTION BY THE FACT THAT SHE IS A REPRESENTATIVE
OF THE WORLD PEACE COUNCIL. THIS EXPLANATION, HOWEVER, RAISES
NEW QUESTIOQUESTIONS: WHY SHOULD THE FINNISH CSCE DELEGATION INCLUDE
A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE WORLD PEACE COUNCIL? USING THE WORLD
PEACE COUNCIL AS A SHIELD HARDLY PREVENTS ANYBODY FROM SEEING
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THAT COMMUNISTH HAVE TWO REPRESENTATIVES IN THE DELEGATION."

13 . SWEDISH LANGUAGE HUFVUDSTADSBLADET ANALYZES CRITICISMS OF
THE CSCE SUMMIT BY THE NEW YORK TIMES AND THE LONDON TIMES AND
PRESIDENT FORD'S RESPNSE TO THEM. THE PAPER CONCLUDES THAT
"TO REGARD THE CSCE AS SOME KIND OF POLITICAL OLYMPIC GAMES
IN WHICH PLUS AND MINUS POINTS ARE COUNTED FOR PARTICIPATING
NATIONS AND GROUPS OF NATIONS IS TOTALLY FRUITLESS. TO WHAT
EXTENT CSCE WORK HAS LAID A FRAME WORKK OF CONTINUED EFFORTS TO
PROMOTE SECURITY AND COOPERATION -- WITH THE EMPHASIS ON CO-
OPERATION-- REMAINS TO BE SEEN". HUFVUDSTADSBLADET ASKS EVERYBODY
TO GIVE CSCE A CHANCE AND POINTS OUT THAT CSCE IS ONLY A TRY. IT
MAY WELL PROVE TO BE A FAILURE. NO ONE CAN KNOW IT FOR SURE
TODAY. ON OUR PART IT IS HARDLY CONSTRUCTIVE TO CONDEMN THE
EFFORT CATEGORICALLY IN ADVANCE."

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